# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF AGRICULTURE
Wednesday, January 27th, 2016
MA Department of Agricultural Resources
101 University Drive, Suite C4
Amherst, MA 01002
Phone: (413) 548-1900
10 a.m.

### **MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. Start: Call to Order.
- 2. Minutes Summary: The Board will consider for approval the meeting minutes of 12/02/15.
- 3. Commissioner's Report:
  - a. FY2017 H.2 Budget Development.
  - b. FY2016 Grant Awards.
  - c. Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) Updates.
  - d. MA Food System Plan Update.
  - e. Apiary Pollinator Plan Development.
- 4. Overview UMASS Extension Mission and Programs.

#### **Old Business:**

- 5. Ag Board By-Laws Changes; Vote Required.
- 6. Regulatory Review Update.
- 7. Update on Plant Nutrients Management Regulations.
- 8. New Board Members.

### **New Business:**

- 9. Legislative Updates.
- 10. Farm Plates, requested by Laura Grabski.
- 11. Other Business.
- 12. Date, Time and Location of next board meeting.
- 13. Adjournment: The Board will officially vote to adjourn the meeting.